

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST ADDENDUM SHEET
INTERCOUNTY CONNECTOR PROJECT

Property Name: Pleasant Grove/Snowden's Manor Farm
Survey No.: M: 28-15 (PACS D7.1)

Property Address 121 Ednor Road, Sandy Spring vicinity, Montgomery County, Maryland
Owner Name/Address Robert and E.F. Ruyak, 121 Ednor Road, Sandy Spring, Maryland 20860
Year Built circa 1780, 1850

Description:

Pleasant Grove/Snowden's Manor Farm was previously surveyed by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) and listed on the Montgomery County Historic Sites Inventory in 1976. In addition, the property was surveyed in 1979 by Sugarloaf Regional Trails. Since the time of the previous surveys, there have been three additions to the residence.

A 2-story, side-gable addition was added to the southeast corner of the wood-frame section of the house. The first story of the addition is a screened porch, while the second story is clad in siding, has 1/1, double-hung vinyl windows with false muttons and a front-gable dormer. The second addition is a 2-story porch on the south elevation, which was recently constructed to replace a circa 1965 2-story porch. The third addition is a side-gable garage on the west elevation. It is of wood-frame construction with vinyl siding and is connected to the log portion of the structure by a 1-story hyphen.

In addition, two additional structures are located on the property which were not noted on the previous inventory forms. A 2-story, side-gable guest house with a raised stone foundation and an overhead garage door is located northwest of the main house. The main level has wood clapboard siding and 6/6 double-hung wood windows. The second structure is a front-gable agricultural outbuilding with a shed roof addition. It has vertical wood siding, a metal roof and is located west of the guest house and northwest of the main house.

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1780, Pleasant Grove/Snowden's Manor Farm is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C, as a good example of an eighteenth century dwelling with evolutionary architectural features from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Although later additions have been constructed on the main house, sufficient architectural integrity remains to illustrate the early history of the property and demonstrate its evolution. The period of significance for the property extends from circa 1780 to 1947. The property is not eligible under Criteria A or B, as it has no known association with historically significant persons or events. In addition, the property has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

The National Register boundary of Pleasant Grove/Snowden's Manor Farm at 121 Ednor Road, encompasses tax parcels P666, N503 and P465 on Tax Map JS 343. This approximately hectare (35 acre) parcel is bounded on the north by Ednor Road and on the east, west and south by adjacent tax parcels. The boundary includes four structures which contribute to the significance of the property; the main house, a brick meathouse, a wood-frame agricultural outbuilding and a horse stable. Also located within the boundary are two non-contributing structures, a guest house and a swimming pool.

MHT CONCURRENCE:

Eligibility recommended ☒ not recommended

Criteria A B C D Considerations A B C D E F G None

Comments: Previously Reviewed for MD 28/198 project.

Internal DOE states property "retains insufficient integrity to be eligible..." Dated and signed 12/1995

Kinn Williams

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

8/21/97

Pleasant

Reviewer, NR program

8/27/98

Date

Preparer:

P.A.C. Spero & Company
May 1997

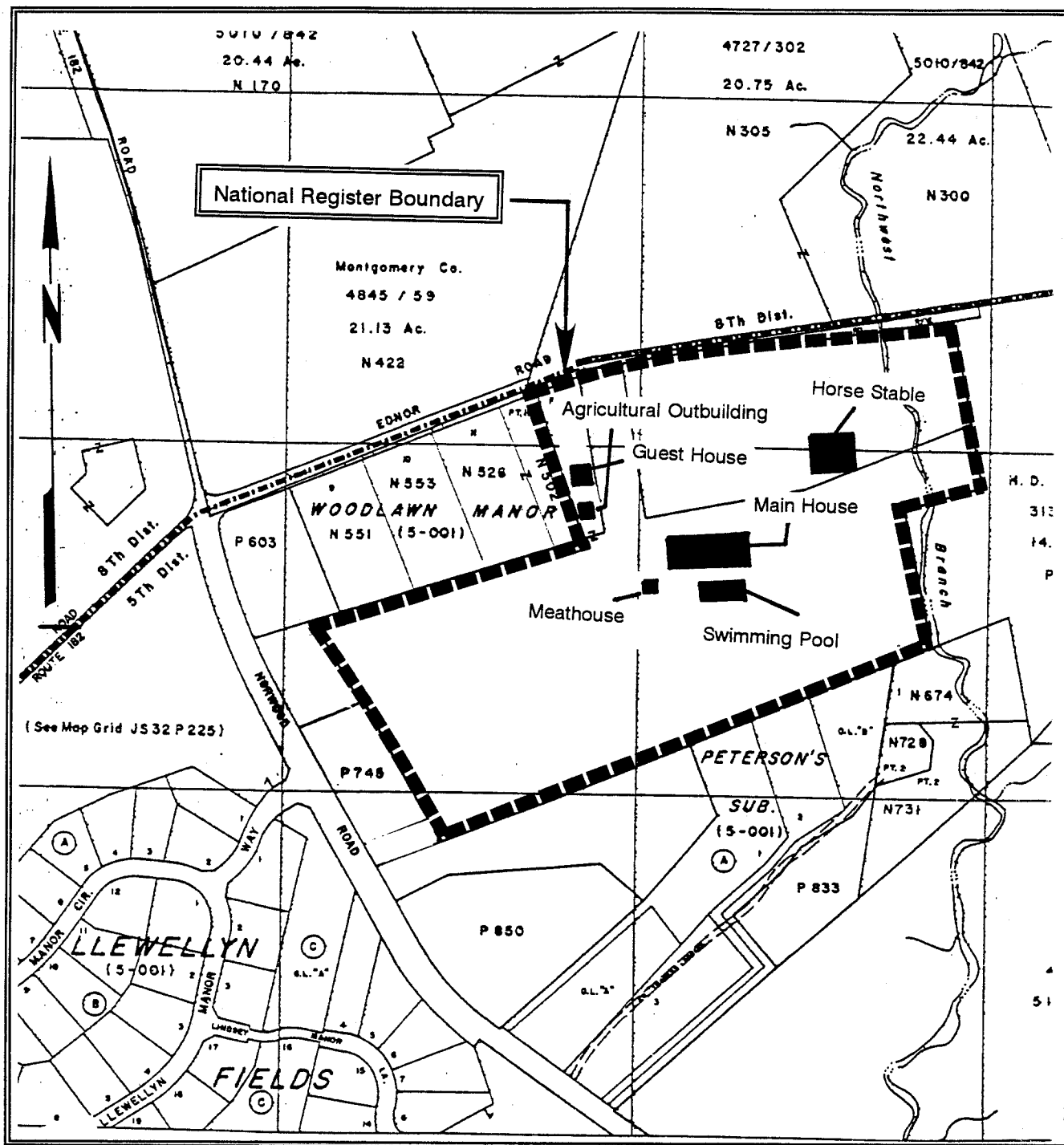
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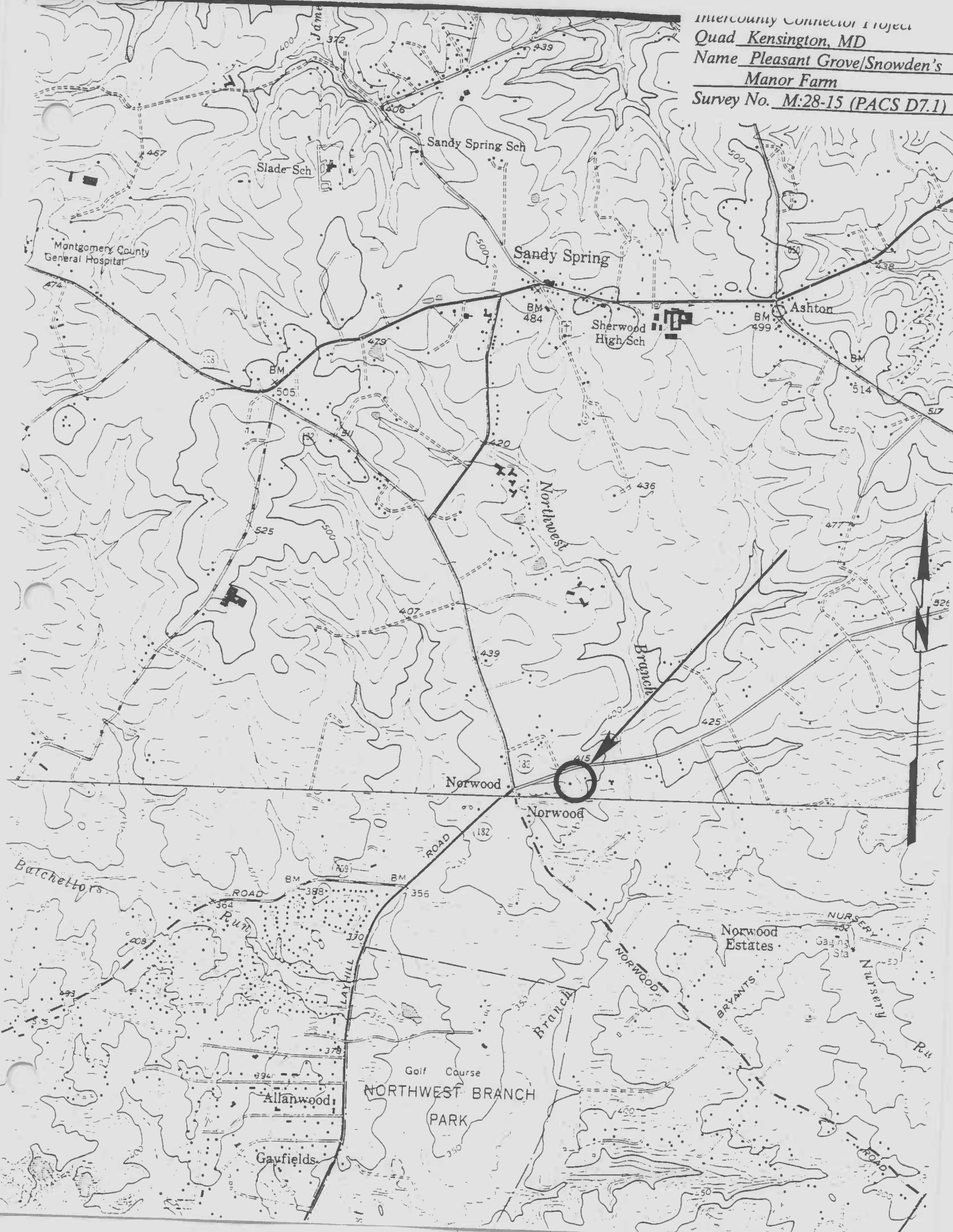
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Resource Sketch Map and National Register Boundary Map:



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Intercounty Connector Project
Quad Kensington, MD
Name Pleasant Grove/Snowden's
Manor Farm
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- 1) M: 28-15
- 2) Pleasant Grove / Snowden Manor Farm
- 3) Montgomery County, Maryland
- 4) Eric Griffiths
- 5) Mar 1997
- 6) Maryland SHPO
- 7) South Elevation of House, NE view
- 8) 1 of 6



- 1) M: 28-15
- 2) Pleasant Grove / Snowden Manor Farm
- 3) Montgomery County, Maryland
- 4) Eric Griffiths
- 5) Mar 1997
- 6) Maryland SHPO
- 7) Tenant House and Shed, North View
- 8) 2 of 6



- 1) M: 28-15
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- 3) Montgomery County, Maryland
- 4) Eric Griffiths
- 5) May 1997
- 6) Maryland SHPO
- 7) West elevation of House, East View
- 8) 3 of 6



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- 3) Montgomery County, Maryland
- 4) Eric Griffiths
- 5) May 1997
- 6) Maryland SHPO
- 7) North Elevation of House, South view
- 8) 4 of 6



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- 2) Pleasant Grove/Snowden Manor Farm
- 3) Montgomery County, Maryland
- 4) Eric Griffiths
- 5) May 1997
- 6) Maryland SHPO
- 7) Horse Paddock, SE view
- 8) 5 of 6



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- 3) Montgomery County, Maryland
- 4) Eric Griff, HS
- 5) May 1997
- 6) Maryland SHPO
- 7) East Elevation of House, SW view
- 8) 6 of 6

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Snowden Manor Farm Survey Number: M-28-15

Project: MD 28/198 Connector Agency: COE/Mont. Co.

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no yes Name Date

Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended X

Criteria: X A B X C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

Based on the available information, Snowden Manor Farm does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for individual listing. The log and frame house may date back to the late 18th century with a substantial frame expansion dating to the mid-19th century. A number of alterations and additions were made in the 1960s and again in recent years so that the elaborate telescoping "mansion" of today bears little resemblance to the two-part 19th century farmhouse. Thus, while the property was associated with significant local Quaker families, it retains insufficient integrity to be eligible for the National Register under Criteria A or C. This portion of the County is an area of great historical and architectural richness. However the area has had much modern development and the vicinity of Snowden Manor Farm would not constitute an historic district.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project File, Maryland Inventory
M-28-15 & Report ((MO 128 Addendum - Phase I Archaeological Survey, MD Route 28/198
Connector, Montgomery Co., by Peter Kurtze, 1994)

Prepared by: Peter Kurtze, Joan Schoshinski, Michael Dwyer, Candy Reed

Elizabeth Hannold December 8, 1995
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: ✓ yes no not applicable

Alonso Padilla 12-14-95
Reviewer, NR program Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

☐ Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
☐ Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles,
 Prince George's and St. Mary's)
☒ Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll,
 Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
☐ Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

☐ Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
☐ Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
☐ Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
☐ Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
☐ Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
☐ Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
☐ Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
☐ Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
☒ Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
☒ Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
☐ Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
☐ Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
☐ Unknown Period (☐ prehistoric ☐ historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

☐ Subsistence
☐ Settlement
☐ Political
☐ Demographic
☐ Religion
☐ Technology
☐ Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

☐ Agriculture
☒ Architecture, Landscape Architecture,
 and Community Planning
☐ Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
☐ Government/Law
☐ Military
☐ Religion
☒ Social/Educational/Cultural
☐ Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: BuildingHistoric Environment: RuralHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic-Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: na

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

(See: MO 128 Addendum - Phase I Archaeological Survey, Maryland Route 28/198 Connector, Montgomery Co., by Peter Kurtze, 1994)

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(date entered 5-12-80)

1. Name: Pleasant Grove/ Snowden's Manor Farm
2. Planning Area/Site Number: 28/15
3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 17
Coordinate A-5
4. Address: 121 Ednor Road
Sandy Spring, Maryland
5. Classification Summary
- | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Category <u>building</u> | Previous Survey Recording <u>MNCPPC</u> |
| Ownership <u>private</u> | Title and Date: <u>Historic Sites Inventory</u> |
| Public Acquisition <u>N/A</u> | <u>1976</u> |
| Status <u>occupied</u> | |
| Accessible <u>no</u> | Federal <u> </u> State <u>X</u> County <u>X</u> Local <u> </u> |
| Present use <u>private residence</u> | |
6. Date: 18th century
7. Original Owner: Richard Cowman?
8. Apparent Condition
- a. excellent b. altered c. original site
9. Description: Snowden Manor is a log and frame house which faces north; the log section is three bays and two stories, the frame section is five bays by two bays, two and a half stories. The log section has eight-by-eight casement windows. There are six-over-six double-hung windows flanked by gray wooden louvered shutters. The log section has a gable roof with slate covering. The frame section has clapboarded exterior walls, and a gable roof with slate shingles.
10. Significance: The land on which the house stands was owned by members of the closely related Snowden, Cowman, and Thomas families, Quakers whose enterprise brought abundance and social progress to this corner of the county a generation or more before the rest of the county emerged from its backwardness.
- The oldest part of this house, part of "Snowden's Manor Enlarged", may date from the mid-18th century, as the 1783 tax list noted an 18' x 24' frame house on Richard Cowman's property.
- From 1799 to 1815, Samuel Thomas subdivided his extensive holdings and sold the house and 53 1/2 acres to Isaac Holland for \$2000. Holland called the place "Pleasant Grove", added onto the house, and kept the property in the family until 1915. The area nearby was known as "Holland's Corner".
- The property was held by members of the Nichols family until 1940. The present owners purchased the property, now known as "Snowden Manor Farm" in recognition of its origins, in 1974.
11. Researcher and date researched: Michael Dwyer/Candy Reed - Arch. Description
Joan Schoshinski June 1979
12. Compiler: Eileen McGuckian
13. Date Compiled: Spet. 1979
14. Designation Approval
15. Acreage: c. 35 acres

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Pleasant Grove

AND/OR COMMON

Snowden's Manor Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

121 Ednor Road

CITY, TOWN

Sandy Spring

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

— DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

— STRUCTURE

— SITE

— OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

— PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

— BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

— IN PROCESS

— BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

— UNOCCUPIED

— WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

— YES: RESTRICTED

— YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

— AGRICULTURE

— MUSEUM

— COMMERCIAL

— PARK

— EDUCATIONAL

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

— ENTERTAINMENT

— RELIGIOUS

— GOVERNMENT

— SCIENTIFIC

— INDUSTRIAL

— TRANSPORTATION

— MILITARY

— OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Lawrence E. & Carol D. Horning

Telephone #: 774-0607

STREET & NUMBER

121 Ednor Road

CITY, TOWN

Sandy Spring

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20904

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 4371

Folio #: 588

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

MNCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE

1976

— FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☒ COUNTY — LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN

Derwood

STATE

Maryland 20855

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Snowden Manor is a log and frame house which faces north.

The three bay, two story, log structure has been reinforced on the north elevation by a one story brick veneer wall. Built upon stone foundations, this early log structure was built into a hillside and had its original kitchen in the basement. The log walls have dove-tailed notched corners (a unique feature) and are now chinked by poured concrete. The north door to the log section is wooden paneled. The section to the west of the front door may be a skillfully integrated later addition to the original building. Windows are eight-by-eight casements. The gable roof has slate covering. There is a massive fieldstone fireplace in the basement which extends upward, flush with the end wall, to form a brick interior end chimney visible at the west gable end, another unique feature.

The five bay by two bay, two and a half story frame structure was added about 50 to 100 years after the log house. It has stone foundations and abuts the east exterior wall of the log house. The exterior walls of the frame structure have been clapboarded, and there are three front corners. There is a three-bay porch centered on the north elevation with four giant wooden posts which extend a full two stories and support a flat roof with a decorative balustrade. The central north door is paneled and flanked by round-headed sidelights and surmounted by a slightly arched transom light. Centered above the transom is a wooden keystone. Between the sidelights and the door, the door frame has an unusual carved wooden guilloche design. There are six-over-six double-hung windows in this structure, flanked by grey wooden louvered shutters. At the east end there are two French doors flanking the chimney. An ell was added to the southeast about 1965; this has a multi-paned three-sided bay window.

In addition, at the east and west gable ends there are two small four-light casement windows. The gable roof has slate covering and is pierced on the north elevation by three gabled dormer windows of eight-by-eight light casement windows and, on the south elevation, by two gabled dormer windows of eight-by-eight light casement windows. There are exterior stone end chimneys at the east and west gable ends, capped by brick stacks.

The house was first modified to accommodate the amalgamation of the log and frame structures, and again in 1965 when the house was further expanded. Essentially the log house was one room and the frame house was a L-shape, two rooms flanking a central hallway, and a third rear room. Growth in the house has been to the south where the southeast ell and a two story porch were added.

There is a closed string staircase with winders in the log structure near the west wall. In the frame house there is a simple open string single run stairway ascending from north to south along the west interior wall. This has a simple handrail and square balusters. Flooring is both narrow and random width throughout the house. Walls have been plastered

(continued on Attachment Sheet a)

Attachment Sheet a
Description
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over lath and in some cases paper; in the log house, the log walls have been left exposed. Doorways have simple moldings and doors are paneled. In the basement of the log house, on the south wall, wooden bars have been set into the stone window openings.

Snowden Manor has a level landscaped setting with extensive lawns. There is a brick meathouse to the southwest of the log house. A swimming pool is located south of the house, and a horse paddock and ring to the east.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		Local History	

SPECIFIC DATES

18th century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house lies within the great estate of "Snowden's Manor Enlarged". According to local tradition, the oldest part of the house -- a log section with an enormous kitchen fireplace of stone -- dates from the middle 18th century. The 1783 tax list mentions an 18 x 24 foot frame house on Richard Cowman's property. Though positive identification cannot be claimed, it is possible that the old log section and its massive chimney are what survives of this 1783 dwelling.

The land on which the house stands was owned by members of the closely related Snowden, Cowman, and Thomas families, Quakers whose enterprise brought abundance and social progress to this corner of the county a generation or more before the rest of the county emerged from its backwardness.

Between 1799 and about 1815, Samuel Thomas undertook the development and subdivision of extensive landholdings in this area. In 1818 he sold a modest tract incorporating the log house and 53½ acres of land, with outbuildings, to Isaac Holland for \$2000.¹

Holland, a farmer and stone mason -- he built the great stone barn at "Woodlawn", across the way -- built a large clapboarded addition to the front of the house,² giving it much its present-day appearance, and raised seven children there. Only two, Virginia and Amos, married. One son, Stephen, became a stone mason like his father; another, James, kept the "Red Door" store at the nearby intersection of Ednor Road and Norwood Road, which became known as "Holland's Corners." A third son, Amos, was a farmer; a daughter, Martha, was a school teacher.

The Hollands called their place "Pleasant Grove", and the property remained in the family until 1915. It then passed by inheritance to a cousin, Mrs. Mary Matthews Nichols,³ who renamed it "The Maples" when she moved there in 1917. Her son, Henry James Janney Nichols, and daughter, Mary R.N. Miller, held the property until 1940. It changed hands again in 1954 and 1966, when the house and 53½ acres were acquired by Mr. and Mrs. Horace W. Busby, Jr.⁴ Mr. Busby, a member of President Lyndon B. Johnson's White House staff, had the two-story portico added on the front of the building and also made an addition to the southeast section of the house. The present owners purchased the property, now known as "Snowden Manor Farm" in recognition of its origins, in 1974.

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(footnotes on Attachment Sheet A)

Attachment Sheet A
Pleasant Grove

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FOOTNOTES:

- 1 Land Records of Montgomery County U/322 (1818).
- 2 Interview, Mary Reading Nichols Miller, (April 1979).
- 3 Will Records, will of Martha Holland, HCA 19/188 (Feb. 5, 1915).
- 4 Land Records, op. cit., 3461/147 (Jan. 10, 1966).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land, Assessment, Will, Plat Records of Montgomery County, Md.
 U.S. Census Records
 Maps: Martenet and Bond (1865); Hopkins Atlas (1879)
 Interview: Mary R.N. Miller, April 1979

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY c. 35 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See Attachment Sheet J

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Joan Schoshinski

Michael Dwyer

Candy Reed / Arch. description

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

June 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438

Aug 1, 1818 Deed of Isaac Holland (from Samuel Thomas of Montgomery) U/322
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from the said William Burns his heirs and assigns from and against all claiming
person or persons claiming or to claim under him any right title or interest to the land
and premises as aforesaid described or any part or parcel thereof and the said John
Threlkeld for himself and his heirs doth further covenant and agree with the said William
Burns and his heirs that he the said John Threlkeld and his heirs will at any time
hereafter execute any deed or Acknowledgement for the further securing the lawful
title to him the said William Burns and his heirs to the land and premises as
aforesaid described according to the true intent and meaning of these presents.
In Witness whereof the said John Threlkeld hath hereunto set his hand and
affixed his seal the day and year first before written
Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of John Threlkeld
Atty Harding = John Busey

Montgomery County State of Maryland Court: This day John Threlkeld
the Grantor personally appeared before us the subscribers two of the Justices of the peace
for the County aforesaid and Acknowledged the within indenture to be his act
& Deed. And on the same day came Elizabeth, wife of the said John Threlkeld
and Acknowledged the same to be her act and Deed; and she being by us the
subscribers examined privately apart from and out of the hearing of her
said husband whether she doth make this her Acknowledgement of the same
willingly, and freely without being induced thereto by fear or threats of or ill
usage by her husband or fear of his displeasure? declareth that she doth
Certified by us this fourth day of November eighteen hundred and eighteen
Atty Harding = John Busey

Aug 1, 1818 At the request of Isaac Holland the following deed was recorded the 10th
day of November 1818 Court: This Indenture made this first day of August in the year
of our Lord eighteen hundred & eighteen between Samuel Thomas of Montgomery
County Maryland of the one part and Isaac Holland of the same County & State of
the other part Witnesseth that the said Samuel Thomas for and in consideration
of the sum of two thousand dollars current money of the United States to him in
hand paid by the said Isaac Holland before the sealing and delivery of these
presents the receipt of which he the said Samuel Thomas doth hereby acknow-
ledge and himself to be fully satisfied contented & paid hath granted bargained
sold aliened enfeoffed released conveyed and confirmed and by these presents
doth grant bargain sell alien enfeoff release convey and confirm unto the
said Isaac Holland his heirs and assigns for ever all that piece or parcel
of land lying on the waters of the North west branch in the County aforesaid

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bounded ^{the beginning of part of said tract} ~~White Oak~~ as formerly conveyed by Richard Snowden to Philip Hooper and running thence with the first line of said part with two and an half degrees allowance for variation, North nine and an half degrees west twenty two and an half perches, then bounding on William Holmes's land South sixty ^{born} degrees west one hundred and eighteen perches to the Bladensburg road then running up and bounding on said road North thirty one degrees west forty two perches, North eighteen and an half degrees west three perches to a stone planted on the east side of said road then North twenty two degrees east sixty four perches to a stone, then North ten and an half degrees west twenty nine & three fourth perches to a stone, then North eighty one fourth degrees east ninety three ft to a stone, then South twenty three degrees east forty & eight and an half perches to a stone, then with a straight line to the first beginning containing fifty three and an half acres of land more or less together with all singular the reversion and reversions, remainders and remainders, rents issues and profits thereof and all the improvements of every kind thereon made and also the estate right title interest claim and demand whatsoever of him the said Samuel Thomas of in and to the aforesaid piece or parcel of land and of in and to every part and parcel thereof. To have and to hold the said piece or parcel of land above mentioned with the appertinances unto the said Isaac Holland his heirs and assigns to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Isaac Holland his heirs and assigns forever and to and for no other use intent or purpose whatever, And the said Samuel Thomas for himself his heirs and assigns doth covenant and agree to and with the said Isaac Holland his heirs and assigns that he the said Samuel Thomas hath full power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell and convey all and singular the land and premises aforesaid, and further that he the said Samuel Thomas & his heirs will forever hereafter warrant and defend the land & premises aforesaid with the appertinances unto the said Isaac Holland his heirs and assigns against all persons whatever claiming any right title or interest therein from by or under him the said Samuel Thomas or his heirs. In testimony whereof the said Samuel Thomas hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day & year aforesaid signed sealed & delivered in presence of

Samuel Thomas

John Thomas 3^d Eden Beall.

Remund this first day of August 1818 of Isaac Holland the sum mentioned in the within deed, it being the full consideration for the within mentioned land and premises

Samuel Thomas

Witness John Thomas 3^d

Montgomery County Court: On the first day of August 1818 came Samuel

two and an half perches, then
Attachment Sheet E. Then perches to the Bladensburg road then running up and
lost one hundred and eighty three perches to the Bladensburg road then running up and
Pleasant Grove Snowden's Manor Farm M: 28/15
Bounding on said road North & West forty two perches, North eighteen
and an half degrees West three perches to a Stone planted on the east side of said road
then North twenty two degrees East sixty four perches to a Stone, then North ten and
an half degrees West twenty nine & three fourth perches to a Stone, then North eighty one
fourth degrees East ninety three ft to a Stone, then South twenty three degrees East forty
eight and an half perches to a Stone, then with a straight line to the first beginning
containing fifty three and an half acres of land more or less together with all singular
the reversions and reversions, remainders and remainders, rents issues and profits thereof
and all the improvements of every kind thereon made and also the estate right
title interest claim and demand whatsoever of him the said Samuel Thomas of
in and to the aforesaid piece or parcel of land and of in and to every part and
parcel thereof. To have and to hold the said piece or parcel of land above mentioned
with the appurtenances unto the said Isaac Holland his heirs and assigns to
the only proper use and behoof of him the said Isaac Holland his heirs and
assigns forever and to and for no other use intent or purpose whatever, And
the said Samuel Thomas for himself his heirs and assigns doth covenant and
agree to and with the said Isaac Holland his heirs and assigns that he the said
Samuel Thomas hath full power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell and
convey all and singular the land and premises aforesaid, and further that he
the said Samuel Thomas & his heirs will forever hereafter warrant and defend
the land & premises aforesaid with the appurtenances unto the said Isaac
Holland his heirs and assigns against all persons whatever claiming any right
title or interest therein from by or under him the said Samuel Thomas or his
heirs. In testimony whereof the said Samuel Thomas hath hereunto set his hand
and affixed his Seal the day & year aforesaid
Signed sealed & delivered in presence of
Jno. Thomas 3^d. Eden Beall. } Samuel Thomas Esq.

Received this first day of August 1818 of Isaac Holland the sum mentioned
in the within deed, it being the full consideration for the within mentioned land
and premises Samuel Thomas

Witness Jno. Thomas 3^d

Montgomery County to wit: On the first day of August 1818. came Samuel
Thomas before us two Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, and
acknowledged the within instrument of writing to be his Act and deed.

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4 the land and premises therein mentioned to be the right and estate of the within (x)
named Isaac Holland his heirs and assigns for ever according to the true intent and
meaning of the within deed and the Law in such cases made & provided. At the same
time Anna wife of the said Samuel Thomas being by us privately examined apart
from and out the hearing of her said husband declared that she fully and willingly
relinquished her right of dower to the within mentioned land & premises and that she
was not compelled so to do by threats from her said husband or for fear of his
16 displeasure —

John Thomas 3^d Eden Beall

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Snowden Manor Farm				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: 121 Ednor Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Norwood (Sandy Spring)				
STATE: Maryland			COUNTY: Montgomery	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Religious _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific _____				
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Lawrence E. Horning				
STREET AND NUMBER: 121 Ednor Road				
CITY OR TOWN: (Sandy Spring) Norwood			STATE: Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This is a beautiful, modern, estate-type of house that has grown from an elegant, early Quaker homestead. The earliest part is probably the log section set back from the main house. It is a two-story log house, with the logs still exposed. The notches are all dove-tailed (a feature unique from any others in the county, I believe.) The stone foundation sits below grade and forms an open basement on the west and south (rear.) It also projects upward, flush with the end wall, to form an internal chimney (another unique feature.) This culminates in a large brick stack on the roof. There is a huge fireplace in this basement wall. The log house faces north and has a three-bay facade here with the entrance in the NW bay. Windows are now 8-paned, casement double-windows and there is also a slate roof now. A massive, rebuilt, internal chimney stack projects high above the east wall.

The main house is a large, two-story frame structure of 5 bays on its main (north) facade. Three dormers and a two-story columned porch appear to have been added in the twentieth century. Windows are 6/6, double-hung, and there is a central doorway. The center stair hall appears to be fashioned in the best manner, and the interior is quite elegant with most of the original fabric still exposed. Large, external stone chimneys rise along both ends and these are capped by brick stacks.

There is a brick meathouse to the SW of the log house.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> losophy | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> itarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian	
ORGANIZATION M-NCPPC	DATE 8/7/75
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Ave.	
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring	STATE Maryland

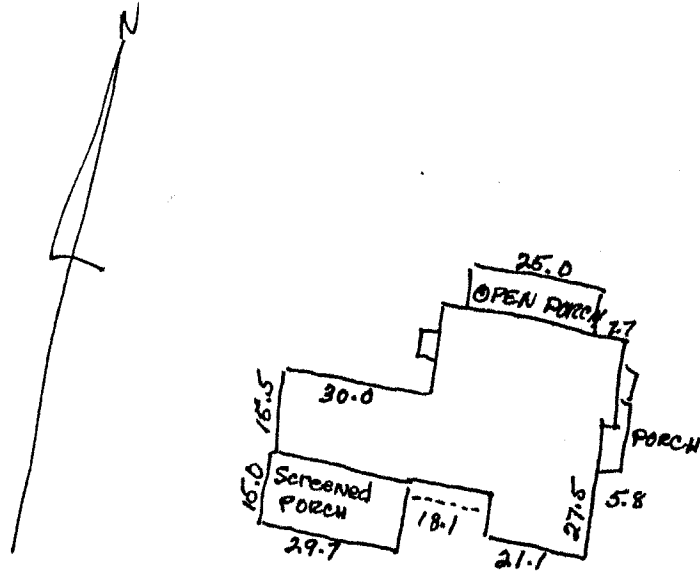
12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____

SNOWDEN'S MANOR 1973
EDMOR RD.
MONT. COUNTY, MD



2 STORY
FRAME, LOG +
BRICK

DETAIL SCALE:
1" = 4'-0"

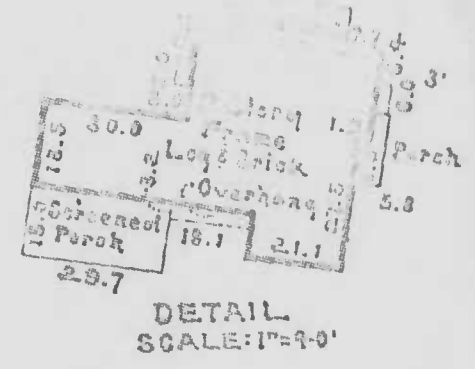
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Part of the ...
... of ...
"SNOWDEN'S MANOR FARM"
Collesville District
Montgomery County, Maryland.
Surveyor's Certificate

I hereby certify that the plan shown herein is correct, and that
the location of all the existing improvements of the described
property have been carefully established by a transit-tape survey
and that unless otherwise shown there are no encroachments.

Scale 1"= 100'
Dated March 14, 1973
Liber 3461 Folio 147

[Signature]
R.A. ... County Surveyor
Court House Rockville, Maryland.



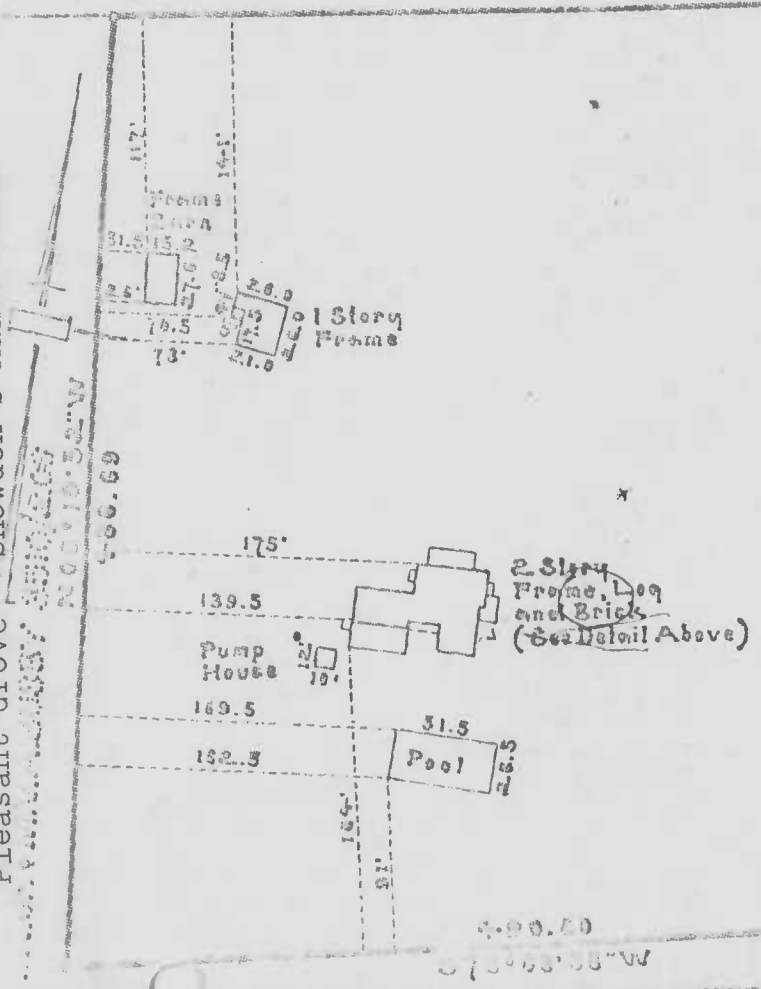
Attachment Sheet I
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EDNOR ROAD
N 79° 17' 43" E
929.97

Busby
to
Horning
Area = 9.9941 Acres

Flood
Plain

418-4192
Mr. Lyman Schlosley



406.00
S 69° 56' 37" E
476.29
S 70° 54' 38" W
MVA BUREAU 8810/008

(Combination of plots from.
W. HUTCHINSON & D. PRESTEMON)

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WM. HOLMES TO SAM THOMAS
U26/325 5/11/1814

— B129 J. Cowman to Richard Cowman 1783 500 ACS.

— P281 Rich. Cowman to Rich. Thomas (1784) 90 ACS. ^{EFFECTIVE}

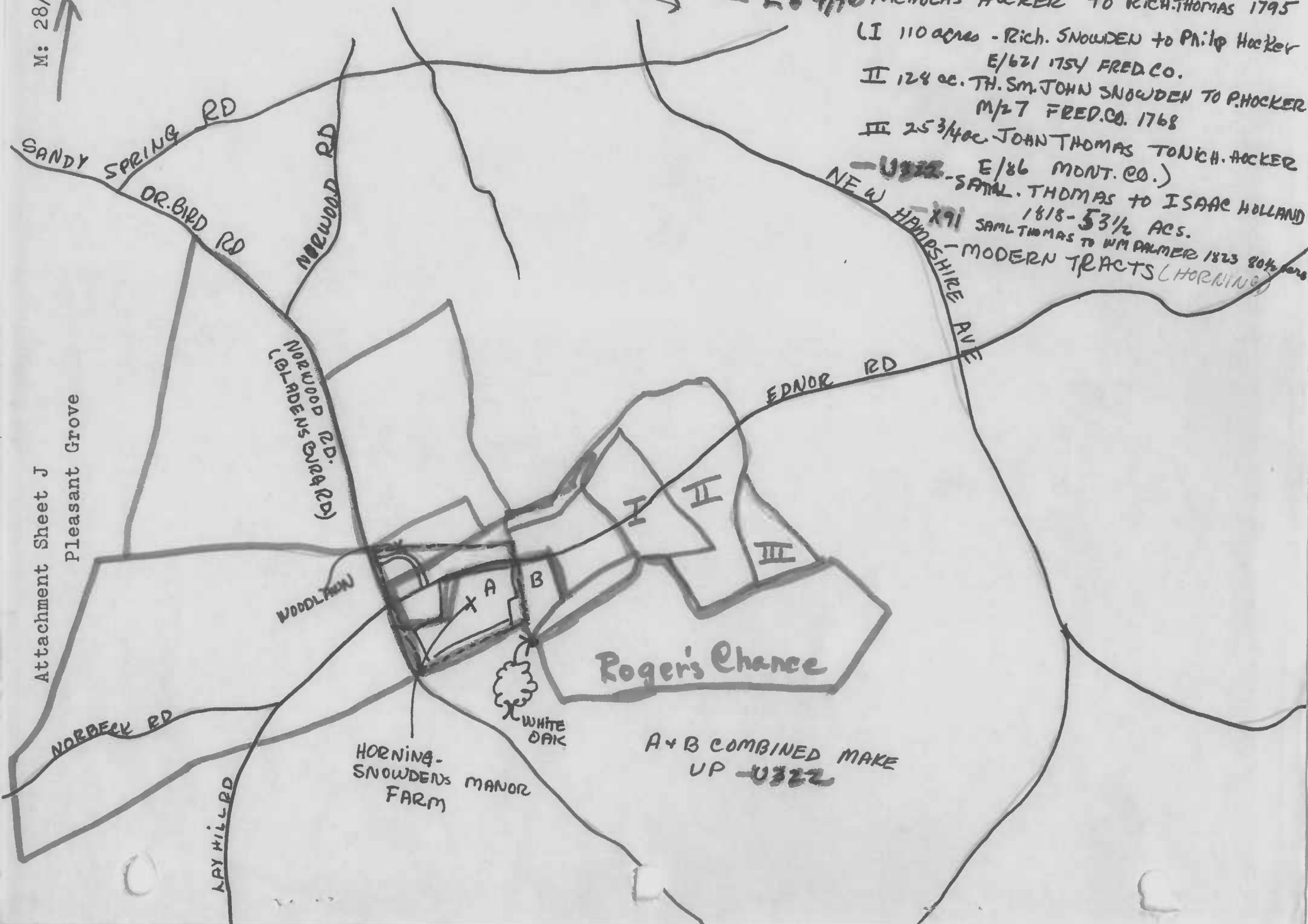
— L84/40 NICHOLAS HACKER TO RICH. THOMAS 1795

LI 110 acres - Rich. SNOWDEN to Philip Hacker
E/621 1754 FRED. CO.

II 124 ac. TH. SM. JOHN SNOWDEN TO P. HACKER
M/27 FRED. CO. 1768

III 25 3/4 ac. JOHN THOMAS TO NICH. HACKER
— U322 E/86 MONT. CO.)

NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE
— X91 SAM. THOMAS TO ISAAC HOLLAND
1818 - 53 1/2 ACS.
— MODERN TRACTS (HORNING)
SAM. THOMAS TO WM PALMER 1823 80 1/2 ACS.





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① HOUSE FROM FRONT - LOG SECTION IS EARLIEST PART. CLAPBOARD SECTION WAS THE THIRD PART ADDED IN 1850'S BY ISAAC HOLLAND. TWO STORY COLUMNS PORCH ADDED 1960'S.



② LOG HOUSE - TWO STORY WITH BASEMENT. HUGE FIREPLACE FORMS AN INTERNAL CHIMNEY.

(OVER)

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- ③ HOUSE FROM REAR - CENTER SECTION IS
LOG ADDITION TO ORIGINAL HOUSE. THIRD
SECTION IS BUILT IN FRONT OF SECOND
SECTION (SEE ROOF LINE).
RIGHT REAR ^{2ST FLOOR} SECTION WITH BAY WINDOW
WAS ADDED IN 1960'S.
SMOKE HOUSE AT LEFT.



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LOCATION EDNOR Rd SANDY SPRING, Md
FACADE N
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FACADE NW (W WING)

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